

Item No. 263.

The Act of December 2, 1942, c. 668, Title I, 56 Stat. 1028-1033, 42 USC 1701-1706, as amended by the Act of December 23, 1943, c. 380, Title I, 57 Stat. 626, extends the benefits of the Federal Employees Compensation Act to certain persons employed by a contractor with the United States and to persons engaged by the United States under a contract for personal services outside the continental United States, where injury results from "war-risk hazards", or the person is missing due to enemy action, or is not returned to his home due to failure of the United States to furnish transportation. "War-risk hazard" is defined (42 USC 1711) as hazard arising from certain enumerated types of occurrences "prior to the end of the present war."

CIA feels that these authorities should be retained, with a redefining of "war-risk hazard" to include the hazard of a "cold war" or other form of undeclared hostilities.

(PLEASE READ LETTER AND MEMORANDUM BEFORE EXECUTING)